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## **Business Analyst Curriculum Approved by IIBA ONLC Joins Elite Group of Endorsed Education Providers**

**Toronto, Canada** — November 1, 2006 — The International Institute for Business Analysis (IIBA) announced that it has approved ONLC Training Centers as an Endorsed Education Provider for Business Analyst training. ONLC Training Centers now joins an elite group of 36 education providers world-wide that have met the IIBA's standards for business analyst course content and delivery.

### **New IIBA Regional Chapters Increasing Certification Awareness**

“Many organizations are realizing the increasing importance of a structured curriculum for their business analysts. As a result, we are seeing increased interest throughout the Northeast in analyst training that conforms to the IIBA Body of Knowledge,” said Bonnie Maness, ONLC's East Region Sales Manager. “Much of the increased awareness in our area is being driven by the new IIBA chapters in Hartford, Boston, and Philadelphia.”

Business Analysts are responsible for identifying business needs to help determine solutions to business problems. Specifically, as a key facilitator within an organization, the Business Analyst elicits, analyzes, validates, and documents business requirements. The IIBA is developing a Business Analyst certification built on its Business Analyst Body of Knowledge (BABOK). The certification should be available in early 2007.

### **The Standard for Business Analyst Training**

“We've been offering courses related to business analysis for over 10 years. However, until recently, there hasn't been a single standardized BA curriculum that has been embraced by training companies and industry. The IIBA has changed all of that,” said Jim Palic, ONLC Training Centers' President.

ONLC initially submitted a single course, “*Business Analysis for IT Professionals*” for IIBA approval. The content in that course was approved and complies with the BABOK standard. In addition, ONLC will be submitting several new course titles for approval in 2007. Topics in those courses include: Requirements Planning, Requirements Analysis and Documentation, and Project Scope Change Management.

### **About the IIBA**

The International Institute of Business Analysis (IIBA) is an international not-for-profit association representing the professional interests of Business Analysts and Requirements Managers. The IIBA vision includes the development and maintenance of standards for the practice of business analysis and for the certification of practitioners. The formation of the IIBA began in October of 2003, and was formalized at the organization's first Annual General Meeting in March, 2004. The IIBA is headquartered in Toronto, Canada, and maintains a web site at [www.iiba.com](http://www.iiba.com).

### **About ONLC Training Centers**

ONLC Training Centers, founded in 1983 (initially as Online Consulting) is one of the largest training companies in the US and delivers training in over 20 locations in the Northeast. The company is a leader in blending classroom training with Internet conferencing. ONLC has trained more than 240,000 IT professionals, developers, and end-users over the past 20 years. They've provided training for companies such as Tyco, IBM, DuPont, Dow Jones and Company, and Citi Group, as well as many medium-sized businesses. Learn more at [www.onlc.com](http://www.onlc.com) and [www.onlc.com/rci](http://www.onlc.com/rci).

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